

Remarks

Claims 1-25 are pending. Claims 23-25 have been withdrawn from consideration. The examiner has rejected claims 1-3 and 5 as allegedly anticipated under Section 102.

Please cancel claims 1-5 and simultaneously add claims 26-30. The examiner has indicated that claims 4 and 6-22 are allowable if rewritten to incorporate the limitations of claim 1. While Applicants do not concede the appropriateness of the rejections, Applicants have replaced claim 4 with claim 26 to expressly incorporate the limitations that were incorporated by the reference to claim 1. Because the new claim 26 has exactly the same scope as originally submitted claim 4, it is Applicants' intention that no prosecution history estoppel applies.

Applicants have also added new claims 27-30 and earnestly seek an acknowledgment of allowability for these claims. It is respectfully submitted that the cited references do not teach a method of manufacturing in which the electrically conductive elements are integrally formed on the device body as is the subject of the new claims.

As suggested by the examiner, Applicants have also amended the Abstract to read on the method instead of the product.

No new matter is added by this amendment.

Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Timely notification of allowability is requested.

No additional fees, requests for extension of time, other petitions, additional claim fees, or any other fees are believed to be necessary to enter and consider this paper. If, however, any extensions of time are required or any fees are due in order to enter or consider this paper or enter or consider any paper accompanying this paper, including fees

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for net addition of claims, Applicants hereby request any extensions or petitions necessary and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1129 for any fees. If there is any variance between the fee submitted and any fee required, or if the payment or fee payment information has been misplaced or is somehow insufficient to provide payment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1129.

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